

Tough Issues: Youth and Sexual Assault



Chapter Four

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- Alcohol is the most commonly used and easily acquired date rape drug.
- Drinking alcohol puts a person at higher risk for sexual assault.
- Perpetrators use alcohol as an excuse for their behavior.

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- Some perpetrators purposefully "feed" victims alcohol before coercing or forcing sex, in order to reduce their defenses.
- About 75% of men and 55% of women involved in acquaintance rapes had been drinking prior to the attack.

Alcohol



Rohypnol



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Rohypnol can also cause loss of consciousness, loss of inhibitions, impaired judgment, aggressive behaviors in some users which can contribute to sexual assault.

GHB



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GHB causes a deep unresponsive sleep, loss of inhibitions, and loss of consciousness. When mixed with alcohol, GHB can cause the central nervous system to shut down and can result in a coma or even death.

GHB plus Alcohol

When mixed with alcohol, GHB can cause the central nervous system to shut down and can result in a coma or even death.

Ketamine



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Ketamine causes loss of consciousness, impaired motor function, problems breathing, out of body experiences, slurred speech, and aggressive or violent behavior.